

2002 Census of Agriculture Senate District Profile

District 17, Michigan

Number of farms: 1,848

Land in farms: 320,609 acres

Average size of farm: 173 acres

Irrigated Land: 8,535 acres

Total number of Farm Operators: 2,750

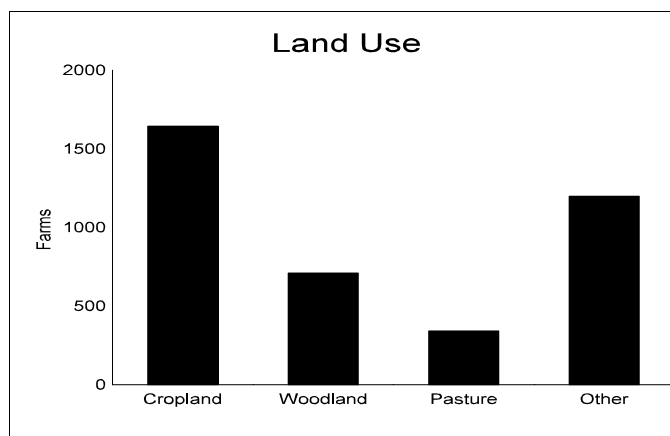
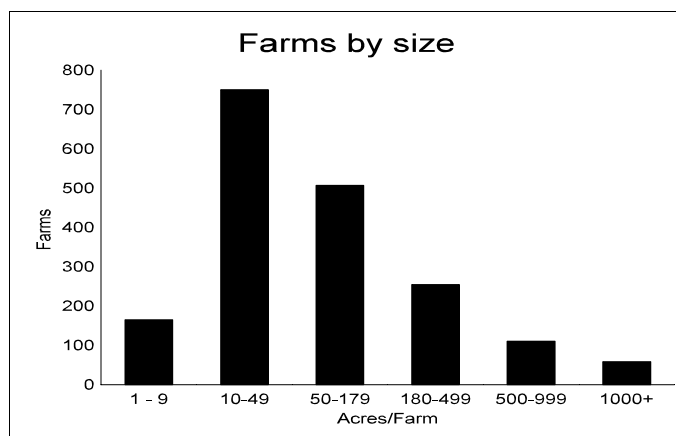
Market Value of Production: \$115,421,000

Market Value of Production, average per farm: \$62,457

Government Payments: \$5,758,000

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments: \$9,979

Gross Income from Farm Related Sources ¹: \$4,486,000



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National Agricultural Statistics Service
Michigan Agricultural Statistics Office**

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Ranked items among the 38 senate districts in the state, 2002

Item	Quantity	State rank	Universe ²
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	115,421	11	36
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) ³			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	44,575	7	34
Tobacco	-	-	-
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	16,523	7	30
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	690	16	29
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod	34,990	6	34
Cut Christmas trees and other short rotation woody crops	305	8	29
Poultry and eggs	140	15	29
Cattle and calves	6,215	14	30
Milk and other dairy products from cows	6,549	19	26
Hogs and pigs	1,099	14	29
Sheep, goats, and their products	508	4	29
Horses, ponies, mules, burros and donkeys	726	15	30
Aquaculture	(D)	3	20
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)			
Cattle and calves	14,079	17	31
Hogs and pigs	5,771	14	29
Sheep and lambs	5,638	6	29
Layers 20 weeks old and older	4,099	15	29
Horses and ponies	3,750	13	33
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)			
Soybeans	120,750	9	32
Corn for grain	83,757	9	30
All Wheat for grain	24,640	7	29
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and green chop	19,440	17	32
All Vegetables harvested	4,835	8	30

Other Senate District Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	519	Farming	974
\$1,000 to \$2,499	214	Other	874
\$2,500 to \$4,999	159		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	194	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	208	Male	1,630
\$20,000 to \$24,000	60	Female	218
\$25,000 to \$39,999	114		
\$40,000 to \$49,000	33	Average age of principal operator (years)	54
\$50,000 to \$99,999	132		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	138	All operators ⁴ by race	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	46	White	2,656
\$500,000 or more	31	Black or African American	24
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	108,036	American Indian or Alaskan Native	11
Average per farm (\$)	58,556	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	12,534	More than one race	14
Average per farm (\$)	6,794	All operators ⁴ of Spanish, Hispanic or Latino Origin	22

(D) Cannot be disclosed.

¹Customwork, farm rent, forest products, recreational services, cooperative dividends, animal boarding, tax refunds, etc.

² Universe is number of house districts in state with item.

³ Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

⁴ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.